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Introduction to Central Asia Test

**Part I: Use the correct vocabulary word in a sentence.**

tundra Herodotus Persians Han Dynasty plague steppes nomads

1. This man is the father of history. His name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. During the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in China, the leader changed government by allowing new ideas and educated men to make the law.
3. People from Central Asia that moved south into Iran were called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. Even though the Mongol Empire created trade, it also spread the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which killed many people.
5. Central Asia is interesting because much of its northern geography is covered in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or frozen ground. However, in other areas it has beautiful \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which are ideal for grazing and farming.
6. In Central Asia, the first people moved around in search of food. They were called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Part II: Reading Comprehension:**

1. Who were the first people that we know existed in Central Asia?
   1. Scythians
   2. Vikings
   3. Persians
2. What animals, when used properly, made nomads much more powerful? What were horses used for?
3. Where did Persians move to?
4. Who took over the Scythians because they were pushed out by the Han Dynasty in China?
5. Who cooperated with the Slavs to start developing Russia?
6. Who united the Mongols under one empire and promoted peace and trade?
7. Why did the Mongol Empire fail?
8. Who temporarily united Central Asia after the Mongols?
9. In early history, much of Central Asia was covered by what?
10. Is it warmer or colder further south in Central Asia?
11. Would farming be better on the steppe or tundra?
12. What is the name of the mountain range across the steppe?
13. What landform is in the center of Central Asia? Why is this here?

Part III: Map Comprehension

